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SUBJ: SOMALI-ETHIOPIAN RELATIONS

1. I DISCUSSED SOMALI POLICY TOWARD ETHIOPIA WITH ACTING FON-SEC ABDURAHMAN MAY 8. HE REITERATED THAT GSDR HAS NO INTENTION OF "TAKING ADVANTAGE OF" ETHIOPIA'S CURRENT PROBLEMS. HE ASKED WHETHER IEG STILL EXPRESSING CONCERN TO US ABOUT SOMALI INTENTIONS AND SEEKING US MILITARY ASSISTANCE. I SAID ETHIOPIAN CONCERN VERY MUCH ALIVE AND NOTED THAT VISIBLE EVIDENCE IN MOGADISCIO OF NEW WEAPONS (MIG 21'S) HAVE OCCASIONALLY BEEN FLYING OVERHEAD). I NOTED THAT US HAS CONTINUING MILITARY ASSISTANCE RELATIONSHIP WITH ETHIOPIA, THAT THIS IS NOT FOR OFFENSIVE PURPOSES AND THAT US HAS CONTINUING INTEREST IN PEACE IN THE HORN.

2. ABDURAHMAN INSISTED ALL SOMALI WEAPONS ARE FOR DEFENSIVE PURPOSES ONLY AND URGED US TO PERSUADE ETHIOPIA TO SETTLE ITS DISPUTE WITH SOMALIA BY AGREEING TO SOMALIA'S "LEGITIMATE CLAIMS". I OBSERVED THIS NOT FEASIBLE, SAID COUNTRIES DIRECTLY CONCERNED HAVE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR RESOLVING THEIR DIFFERENCES, AND ASKED ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR OAU GOOD OFFICES COMMISSION. ABDURAHMAN PUT LITTLE FAITH IN THAT, THOUGH HE PRESUMED MISSION WOULD MAKE SOME SORT OF REPORT TO OAU SUMMIT.

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